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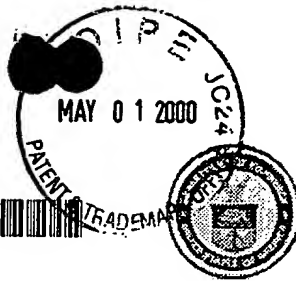
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- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$426.
  - \$270 for 15 total claims over 20.
  - \$156 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
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